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> IN THE MATTER OF THE COMMISSION INVESTIGATION AND GENERIC PROCEEDING OF RATES AND UNBUNDLED NETWORK **CAUSE NO. 42393 ELEMENTS AND COLLOCATION FOR INDIANA**) BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY, INCORPORATED FILED d/b/a SBC INDIANA PURSUANT TO THE) **TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996 AND** MAY 1 6 2003 **RELATED INDIANA STATUTES**

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You are hereby notified that on this date the Indiana Utility Regulatory REGULATORY COMMISSION Commission ("Commission") makes the following entry in this Cause:

On May 7, 2003, Indiana Bell Telephone Company, Incorporated d/b/a SBC Indiana ("SBC Indiana") filed its Motion of SBC Indiana for Protection of Confidential and Proprietary Information ("Motion"), seeking confidential treatment of the cost studies and related work papers to be submitted to the Commission in this Cause. SBC Indiana seeks this confidential protection pursuant to Indiana Code §§ 8-1-2-29, 5-14-3-4 and 24-2-3-1, and 170 IAC 1-1.1-4. Accompanying the Motion was the Affidavit of Thomas J. Hess, Director-Wholesale Issues/271 of SBC Indiana. Among other things, the Affidavit states: "The cost studies and supporting information contain detailed financial information that offers competitors and third parties valuable economic knowledge of the detailed and granular particulars of department specific costs and assets."

The Presiding Officers, having reviewed the Motion and its accompanying Affidavit, find, with an exception noted below, that there is a sufficient basis for a preliminary confidentiality determination as to the cost studies and related work papers to be submitted to the Commission in this Cause. This preliminary determination to treat SBC Indiana's cost studies and related work papers as confidential is made by application of the trade secret exception to disclosure of public records found at Indiana Code 5-14-3-4 and the Commission's confidentiality procedures found at 170 IAC 1-1.1-4. An exception to this confidentiality determination is that cost study record which contains only the proposed costs, which translate into final UNE rates, that SBC Indiana recommends the Commission adopt. This particular record is determined not to be confidential because it is anticipated that whatever costs are adopted by the Commission in resolution of this Cause will be published in a final Commission Order, which is a disclosable public record.

Accordingly, SBC Indiana shall hand deliver to the presiding Administrative Law Judge, in a sealed envelope that is clearly marked "confidential," and with the Cause Number noted thereon, the cost studies and related work papers for which confidential treatment is sought. Said cost studies and related work papers shall be treated as confidential and exempt from public disclosure in accordance with Indiana Code 5-14-3. The above-noted record that is excepted from confidential treatment should be marked as non-confidential and filed along with the confidential submission.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Larry S. Landis, Commissioner

William G. Divine, Administrative Law Judge

Date

Nancy E/Manley, Secretary to the Commission